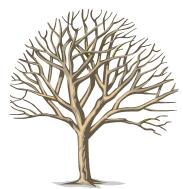
2008 FORESTRY DIVISION REPORT



TREE TRIMMING

 Small
 Medium
 Large

 2849
 1267
 2057

6173

TREE REMOVALS

Public DED Elms = 56

Private DED Elms = 576

Other Public Trees = 607

PLANTING PERMITS

186 permits issued for park and boulevard trees

TREE PLANTING

324 trees total (including RNeighborWoods)

2,755 prairie plants and shrubs

260 RNeighborWoods trees (forestry division assisted)

TRAINING SESSIONS

Electrical Hazard Awareness Program (EHAP) Forest Industry Safety Training Level Four 6th Annual SE MN Arborist Workshop – with Kim Coder – over 300 attended

FORESTRY DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS

- Assisted in statewide Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) detection program for the fourth year; 10 trees were utilized finding no EAB present
- Taught two citizen forester classes in conjunction with RNeighborWoods at Quarry Hill Nature Center
- Planted numerous boulevard trees using citizen volunteers
- Planned and assisted the SE Minnesota Arborist workshop & moderated the sessions
- Completely finished the City of Rochester flood control tree inventory
- 26th Year as Tree City USA 4rd Year with a Growth Award
- Hired new Central Business District equipment operator Ben Anderson
- Purchased replacement one ton dump truck new 934 (964)
- Continued monthly radio program with KROC 1340 Tracy McCray